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ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
ALASKA PENINSULA/ALEUTIAN ISLANDS FINFISH AND SUPPLEMENTAL ISSUES
February 15-26, 2004
TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP

Proposed Schedule:

Approximately Wednesday, February 18: Committee A: GOA Groundfish Rationalization
Approximately Thursday, February 19: Committee B: South Alaska Peninsula June salmon
Committee C: AK Pen/Aleutian Is. herring
Approximately Friday, February 20: Committee D: North Alaska Peninsula salmon
Committee E: AK Peninsula/Aleutian Is. salmon
Approximately Saturday, February 21: Committee F: AK Pen/Aleutian Is. Groundfish

****NOTE: The committee concerning "Finfish Policies" (Sustainable Salmon Fisheries Policy) has been cancelled.****

Approximately Wednesday, February 18:

**Committee A: Gulf of Alaska Groundfish Rationalization (Committee of the Whole)
(1 proposal)**

Gulf of Alaska groundfish fishery rationalization: 257 (formerly ACR 24)

Approximately Thursday, February 19:

**Committee B: South Alaska Peninsula June salmon (Jensen, chair; A. Nelson; Morris)
11 proposals**

Change the Fishing Area:

Increase Open Waters in the South Unimak Fishery: 206

Change the Fishery Periods and Dates

Change the opening date of the fishery: 207

Change fishing period times and dates: 208

Change fishing period times and dates for seine and drift gillnet gear: 209

Change fishing periods to Monday – Friday: 210, 211

Change fishing period times and dates for set gillnet gear: 212

Return to Pre-January 2001 Regulations:

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Change the Salmon Ratios:

Establish chum-to-sockeye ratios in the seine and drift gillnet fisheries: 214

Change the June 10-24 set gillnet sockeye-to-chum ratio: 215

Change the post-June 24 set gillnet sockeye-to-chum ratio: 216

**Committee C: AK Peninsula/Aleutian Is. herring (R. Nelson, chair; Andrews; Bouse)
6 proposals**

Consider GPS for regulatory coordinates: 241

Close Aleutian Waters to herring where buildups of salmon occur: 242

Consider changes to prevent exceeding the allocation: 243

Allocate more herring to the gillnet fleet: 244

Change gillnet mesh size: 245

Create an exploratory herring fishery: 246

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Approximately Friday, February 20:

Committee D: North Alaska Peninsula salmon (Bouse, chair; Jensen; Morris)
9 proposals

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Change fishing boundaries: 230
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Establish closed fishing times: 232
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Committee E: AK Peninsula/Aleutian Is. salmon (A. Nelson, chair; Andrews; R. Nelson)
21 proposals

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Cap the SE District post-July sockeye salmon harvest: 227
Base the Sept. – Oct. periods on coho, pink, chum, or sockeye: 228
Consider GPS for regulatory coordinates for Aleutian Islands salmon: 238
Consider GPS for regulatory coordinates for Atka-Amlia salmon: 239
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Approximately Saturday, February 21:

Committee F: Ak Peninsula/Aleutian Is groundfish (Morris, chair; Jensen; R. Nelson)
21 proposals

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South Alaska Peninsula Groundfish:

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*****NOTE: The "Finfish Policies" Committee has been cancelled.*****

Proposals 2, 3 and 4 were deferred from the November 2003 meeting. Proposals 2 and 3 were reviewed by the board's Recommendations Panel on Sustainable Salmon Fisheries Policy, with the intent to bring schedule final action on those proposals at the February 2004 meeting. The panel's recommendation is to request that the department's "EGPIT" team review the proposed changes, then bring the policy back to the board during the 2004/2005 meeting cycle. The panel therefore recommends that the board defer action on proposals 2 and 3.